

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A leveraged baton end cap for use on a baton, the end cap, comprising:  
a knob;  
a tapered neck portion, the neck portion defining a finger hold for ease in grasping; and  
means for attachment of the leveraged cap to the baton at the proximal end of the baton  
and positioned for contact with a user's hand during use, such that the baton can thereafter be held  
near the proximal end of the baton with a steadfast grip.
2. The leveraged baton cap of claim 1, wherein the knob is generally hemispheric in shape.
3. The leveraged baton cap of claim 2, wherein the generally hemispheric knob comprises a  
proximal end and a distal end, the proximal end being flattened.
4. The leveraged baton cap of claim 3, wherein the distal end of the knob defines the tapered  
neck.
5. The leveraged baton cap of claim 1, wherein the means for attachment is a generally  
cylindrical segment having internal threadings for cooperative engagement with a baton having  
an externally threaded proximal end segment.
6. The leveraged baton cap of claim 5, wherein the cylindrical segment and end knob are  
formed together with the tapered neck.

7. The leveraged baton cap of claim 1, wherein the knob defines a means for holding a decorative element.
8. A leveraged baton end cap for use on a baton, the end cap, comprising:
  - a knob;
  - a tapered neck portion, the neck portion defining a finger hold for ease in grasping; and
  - a threaded cylindrical segment configured to releasably attach the leveraged cap to the baton at a proximal end of the baton and positioned for contact with a user's hand during use, such that the baton can thereafter be held near the proximal end of the baton with a steadfast grip.
9. The leveraged baton cap of claim 8, wherein the knob is generally hemispheric in shape.
10. The leveraged baton cap of claim 9, wherein the generally hemispheric knob comprises a proximal end and a distal end, the proximal end being flattened.
11. The leveraged baton cap of claim 10, wherein the distal end of the knob defines the tapered neck.
12. The leveraged baton cap of claim 8, wherein the cylindrical segment has internal threads for cooperative engagement with a baton having an externally threaded proximal end segment.
13. The leveraged baton cap of claim 12, wherein the cylindrical segment and end knob are formed together with the tapered neck.

14. The leveraged baton cap of claim 8, wherein the knob defines a means for holding a decorative element.

15. A method of using a baton, including the steps of:

providing a leveraged baton cap, the baton cap having an end knob, a generally hour-glass shaped neck portion and means for attachment to a baton;

attaching the leveraged baton cap on the baton;

grasping the baton such that the little, or pinky, finger of the baton-holding hand rests on the neck portion of the leveraged baton cap, the remaining fingers of the hand wrapping about the baton; and

maintaining said grasp throughout use of the baton.

16. The method of claim 15, including the step of providing cooperative threadings within the leveraged baton cap and on the baton such that the baton and end cap are releasably and rotatably connected.

17. A method of attaching a leveraged end cap to a baton, comprising:

providing a baton having a threaded end cap;

rotating the end cap to remove the end cap from the baton to expose a threaded end segment of the baton;

providing a leveraged end cap having a neck portion;

placing the leverage end cap in proximal relation to the exposed threaded end segment of the baton and rotating the leveraged end cap so that threads in the leveraged end cap engage the corresponding exposed threaded end segment of the baton to secure the end cap to the baton;

grasping the baton such that a little, or pinky, finger of the baton-holding hand rests on the neck portion of the leverage end cap, the remaining fingers of the hand wrapping about the baton; and

maintaining said grasp throughout use of the baton.